

Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**For FY 2006**☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 1,290.00**Complete if Known**

Application Number 09/677,478

Filing Date October 2, 2000

First Named Inventor Guy T. Blalock

Examiner Name Lan Vinh

Art Unit 1765

Attorney Docket No. MI22-1544

**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)☒ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify):☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 23-0925 Deposit Account Name: Wells St. John, P.S.

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17☒ Credit any overpayments**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**FEE CALCULATION** (All the fees below are due upon filing or may be subject to a surcharge.)**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	0.00
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	0.00
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	0.00
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	0
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	0.00

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180
Multiple Dependent Claims	
Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
0.00	0.00

<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
78	- 20 or HP = 1	x 50.00 =	50.00

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

<b>Indep. Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
7	- 3 or HP = 0	x 0.00 =	0.00

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

<b>Total Sheets</b>	<b>Extra Sheets</b>	<b>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
0	- 100 = 0	/ 50 = 0 (round up to a whole number) x	0.00 =	0.00

**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): RCE Fee + Petition for Extension of Time (2 Months)

Fees Paid (\$)
0.00
1,240.00

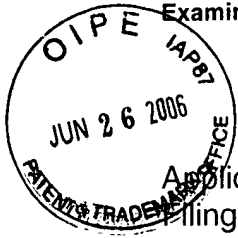
**SUBMITTED BY**

Signature		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 40,045	Telephone (509) 624-4276
Name (Print/Type)	D. Brent Kenady		Date June 26, 2006

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.136. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 30 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

**EV832833210**



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Serial No. ....09/677,478  
Filing Date .....October 2, 2000  
Inventor.....Guy T. Blalock, et al.  
Assignee.....Micron Technology, Inc.  
Group Art Unit.....1765  
Examiner .....Lan Vinh  
Attorney's Docket No. ....MI22-1544  
Customer No. ....021567  
Title: Plasma Etching Methods

**EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARIES OF JUNE 23 and 26, 2006**

To: Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

From: D. Brent Kenady  
Tel. 509-624-4276; Fax 509-838-3424  
Wells St. John P.S.  
601 West First Avenue, Suite 1300  
Spokane, WA 99201-3828

Applicant's representative held an interview with Examiner Lan Vinh on June 23, 2006, and a quick follow-up interview on June 26, 2006.

Applicant's representative would like to thank Examiner Vinh for his time and attention to this matter.

All the rejected independent claims, claims 1, 10, 47 and 54, were discussed. Applicants respectfully pointed to at least one positively recited limitation of each rejected independent claim that the Examiner has not demonstrated to be suggested or taught by the teachings of the cited references. The Examiner agreed. A thorough discussion of the claim limitations and

**EV832833210**